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15,000 VIPs Attend Temple Preview

Fifteen thousand state, civic and religious leaders attended a special preview of the Oakland Temple, 4770 Lincoln Avenue, Oakland, from 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Friday, September 25.

Invitations were delivered to mayors, supervisors, educators and other civic leaders throughout northern California which comprises the Oakland Temple District. The area reaches north to Oregon, east to Reno, Nevada, and south to Fresno.

Also invited to attend the special showing of the five million dollar structure were members of the clergy of all faiths.

Ground was broken for the Temple June 2, 1962, by President David O. McKay. One year later on May 25, 1963 President Joseph Fielding Smith of the Council of Twelve Apostles presided at the laying of the cornerstone.

The famed Tabernacle choir was present at this event and sang for an audience of 6000 who witnessed the proceedings on closed-circuit television in the adjacent East Bay Interstake Center and chapel.

The Temple covers 70,000 square feet with extensive landscaping and parking areas. It is built upon a lofty site which commands a sweeping-view of the entire bay area and the Pacific Ocean.

Motorists who travel on three freeways get an unobtructed view of the granite-faced building with its five towers which catch the light reflected from the gold leaf embedded in the glass of the mosaic covering.

It is espicially magnificent after dark when flood lights outline the sparkling waterfall at the base of the front entrance and silhouet the entire building.

The highest tower is 169 feet high with the four lesser towers 95 feet. The Temple proper measures 189 feet east and west and 110 feet north and south.

It is constructed on a 20 foot high stylobate, a terraced base, 210 by 157 feet. Two wings project north an additional 125 feet to increase the overall length of the Temple to 306 feet.

The Bureau of Information is located in one of the wings and a reception room and the Temple president's office in the other. A chapel provides seating for 200 people.

A reflecting pool and waterfall enhance the forecourt of the Temple between the two wings. A waterway runs from the pool through the landscaped area to Lincoln Avenue.

The Oakland Temple is the fifteenth such buiding to be erected by the Church. Only thirteen are in present use, two having been desecrated during the early days of the church's history. The other Temples are located throughout the United States, Canada, Europe, England New Zealand and Hawaii.

COMPLETED!

Second phase of the opening of the Oakland Temple, but the most important one, will be the dedication, conducted over a three-day period with two sessions each day. Dates are November 17, 18, and 19.

There are 26 stakes in the Temple district. Each stake has been assigned special dedicatory services.

First session, to begin at 9 a.m. Nov. 17, will be attended by San Francisco, Santa Rosa, San Mateo and Redwood Stakes; afternoon session includes Sacramento, Sacramento North, American River, Gridley and Redding stakes. Second morning session includes Palo Alto, San Jose, San Jose West and Monterey Bay stakes; in the afternoon will be San Joaquin, Fresno, Fresno East, Napa, Klamath and North Klamath Stakes.

Final morning session is for Walnut Creek, Concord, Reno and Reno North Stakes; and in the afternoon Hayward, Oakland-Berkeley and San Leandro Stakes.

Temple recommends are required for those invited to sit in the Temple for the dedication. There are accommodations for 5000 in the adjacent East Bay Interstake Center and adjoining chapel and rooms. Here the ceremonies will be telecast on closed circuit television. No Temple recommends are required to sit in this area but each person must have an admittance ticket which must be secured from ward bishops or stake presidents.

Seminary Bigger If Not Better

Seminary is bigger, if not better than ever. It opened in 76 classes in central California stakes with the opening of school and to a record enrollment, despite separation of San Francisco Stake from the Bay District Seminaries and its union with Peninsula stakes.

In the Bay District Seminaries this year are Oakland-Berkeley, San Leandro, Santa Rosa, Napa, Walnut Creek, Concord, Redwood, and Hayward stakes, all under Clarence L. Fields, 2369 Overlook Drive, Walnut Creek, as district coordinator. Area coordinators are Willian Carlston, Oakland-Berkeley; Marcel Lauper, San Leandro; Maude Briscoe, Santa Rosa; Twila Ferrin, Napa; Jack Jenkins, Walnut Creek; William Linford, Concord, Anna Hoem, Hayward.

Seminary began in the area in August, 1951, with two classes in two stakes. Five were in the first graduating class. Last year there were 255 third year graduates and 93 fourth year students who received certificates, a total of 348.

Course of study this year is the New Testament. Final figures on enrollment are unavailable, but Brother Fields assures us it is up over last year. (For Walnut Creek Ward 86 per cent of eligibles were enrolled and attending.)

BYU Bowl To Seat 27,000

General authorities of the Church and governmental and civic dignitaries will attend the opening of Brigham Young University new 26,812-seat stadium Oct. 2.

More than 30,000 fans were expected for the inaugural game between BYU and the University of New Mexica. An inaugural program at 7 p.m. will be followed by Kickoff at 8 p.m.

Special transportation plans have been made for those attending General Conference.

The new, all-steel structure is on the northwest corner of the campus, just off the Canyon Road highway. The west stands will be 69 rows high and chair seats will fill the sections between the 27-yard lines. East stands will extend 51 rows. Initial seating is 26,812, but the stadium can be enlarged to form a bowl seating 45,000.

Let's All Read This One, Okay?

By Marjorie Simard

Emphasis was on missionary work as Hayward Stake held its quarterly conference September 19 and 20. Elders Richard S. Summerhays of the Church Home Teaching Committee and Berkeley L. Bunker of the Church Missionary Committee were visitors from Salt Lake City, representing the First Presidency. Sessions were conducted by President Frances Winkel.

Elder Summerhays discussed the problems Moses faced in bringing the children of Isreal out of Egypt and likened them to the problems faced by the leaders of the modern Church in trying to get Later-day Saints into the Celestial Kingdom. The biggest problem are members who think the plan outlined is too hard and that they know more about running the Church than the Lord does. He encouraged those at the conference to shake President Winkel's

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Mementoes Aid Building Fund

Oakland Temple Mementos are offered by the Newark Ward for their building fund.

Actual granite from the site of the Oakland Temple, mounted on a natural walnut base with inscribed metal plate are being offered through D. E. Jenson, 36313 Newark Blvd., Newark; telephone 797-3194. Details of the $2.00 paperweights, "ideal for gifts" appear in the ward's ad in this issue of The Messenger.

Bookends can be made, on special ored, for $25.

Tahoe Institute Meeting Slated

Institute student leaders from 35 college campuses will converge on tht University of California Alumni Center at Lake Tahoe October 9 to 11 for their first annual leadership conference. Plans are for attendance of 120 who will participate in leadership workshops, social activities, and worship experiences.

Dr. Dale T. Tingey, assistant administrator of the Church's institutes of religion and seminaries, will be the featured speaker at the Sunday morning session.

Theme of the conference is "I DARE you!" Workshops centered around the theme in leadership, missionary activities, service, and recruitment will be conducted by the directors. Elwon Lance, regional institute coordinator, reports that student interest is high and that he forecast for success of the conference is favorable.

Romney Presides At San Francisco Stake Conference

Elder Marion G. Romney, a member of the Council of Twelve Apostles, presided at a quarterly conference of San Francisco Stake Saturday and Sunday, September 26 and 27, in Daly City.

Also attending were Addie L. Swapp, member of the Sunday School General Board; Marvin J. Ashton and Edythe C. Johnson, representing the Young Men's and Young Women's Mutual Improvement Associations.

General sessions of the conference were held Sunday at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the San Francisco Stake Center, 1399 Brunswick, conducted by Stake President Irven G. Derrick, 408 Skyline Drive, Daly City.

Elder Romney is a former practicing attorney and served in several capacities as an elected public official in Salt Lake City. He is chairman of the Church Welfare Program. Formerly he served as a missionary to Australia, as a bishop and as a stake president. Elder Romney was born in Mexico and has traveled widely on Church assignments.

A former college instructor, Mrs. Swapp now serves in the Guidance and Personnel Department of the Ogden, Utah, school system. She has long been active in the Church, having served in numerous responsible positions in the various auxiliaries.

Elder Ashton has served as an assistant to the General Superintendency of the YMMIA since 1958. He has been a leader in youth activities of the Church for many years. Elder Ashton is a University of Utah graduate and is in the lumber business.

Miss Johnson has taught Sunday School for 15 years. She is a graduate of Utah State University and teaches Home Economics in a Salt Lake City high school.

Special meetings for Sunday School and MIA leaders were held Saturday.

Hill Cumorah Fete Lists 1965 Date

SALT LAKE CITY — The 1965 Hill Cumorah Pageant will be presented July 27-31, near Palmyra, N.Y., the First Presidency of The Church has announced.

Now featuring a cast of 300, spectacular lighting, and a dramatic musical setting, the presentation began in 1937. Crowds estimated at more than 100,000 attended during the five-night season in 1964.

Requests from travel agencies, charter tour groups, and families planning to visit the New York World's Fair and "Historic Mormon Country" sites near Palmyra led to the early announcement of the 1965 season.

In 13 colorful scenes, the Pageant depicts historical exerpts from the Book of Mormon, a scriptural record of ancient America.

A sloping hillside is used for the stage, with the audience seated at the bottom of the slope.

Pageant sponsors are the Cumorah Mission of the Church, with headquarters at nearby Rochester, N. Y. Director is Dr. Harold I. Hansen. The Musical score is by Dr Crawford Gates.

BUS RIDERS

Word has just been received that the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District is doubling its Lincoln Avenue bus schedule for the time the Temple is open to the public.

Busses will leave 14th and Broadway every HALF HOUR and deliver passengers AT THE TEMPLE. Even this schedule may be subject to adjustment if traffic warrants. (This saves parking headaches!)

Medford, No. 400

The new Medford Stake, created Sunday, Aug. 23, through a division of the Klamath Stake, in Oregon, has the distinction of becoming the 400th in the Church.

Open To The Public Octoboer 5th

By Nell Smith

Monday, October 5, the gates of the Oakland Temple will be opened to the public! A 9 a.m. of that day the first visitor will be admit.ed to view the magnificient interior decoration and furinishings of this majestic structure.

Thereafter until the doors are closed at the end of the month, it is expeced that about 20,000 people a day will take advantage of the opportunity to inspect a "Mormon Temple."

A million invitation cards have been distributed to Church members to pass on to their friends and neighbors. Members are urged to invite as many persons as they can to "go see for themselves." Invitations will be available at the Temple for those who do not have invitations from Church members.

Suggestions printed on the back of the invitation cards include: no babes in arms or children under 8 years. Those from 8 to 14 must be accompanied by an adult; please pool rides with others or use public transportation. Traffic and parking near the Temple will be a major problem;

Ladies should wear low or broad-heeled shoes as there will be considerable walking. No spike heels please, so as to avoid carpet damage; no cameras will be permitted inside the Temple; if you are unable to come during the week specified please feel free to come any time from Oct. 5th through Oct. 24;

Please bring your invitation with you. Each visitor **must** have an invitation; additional invitations for other members of your party can be secured on the grounds. (Invitations **must** carry the name and address of the bearer,)

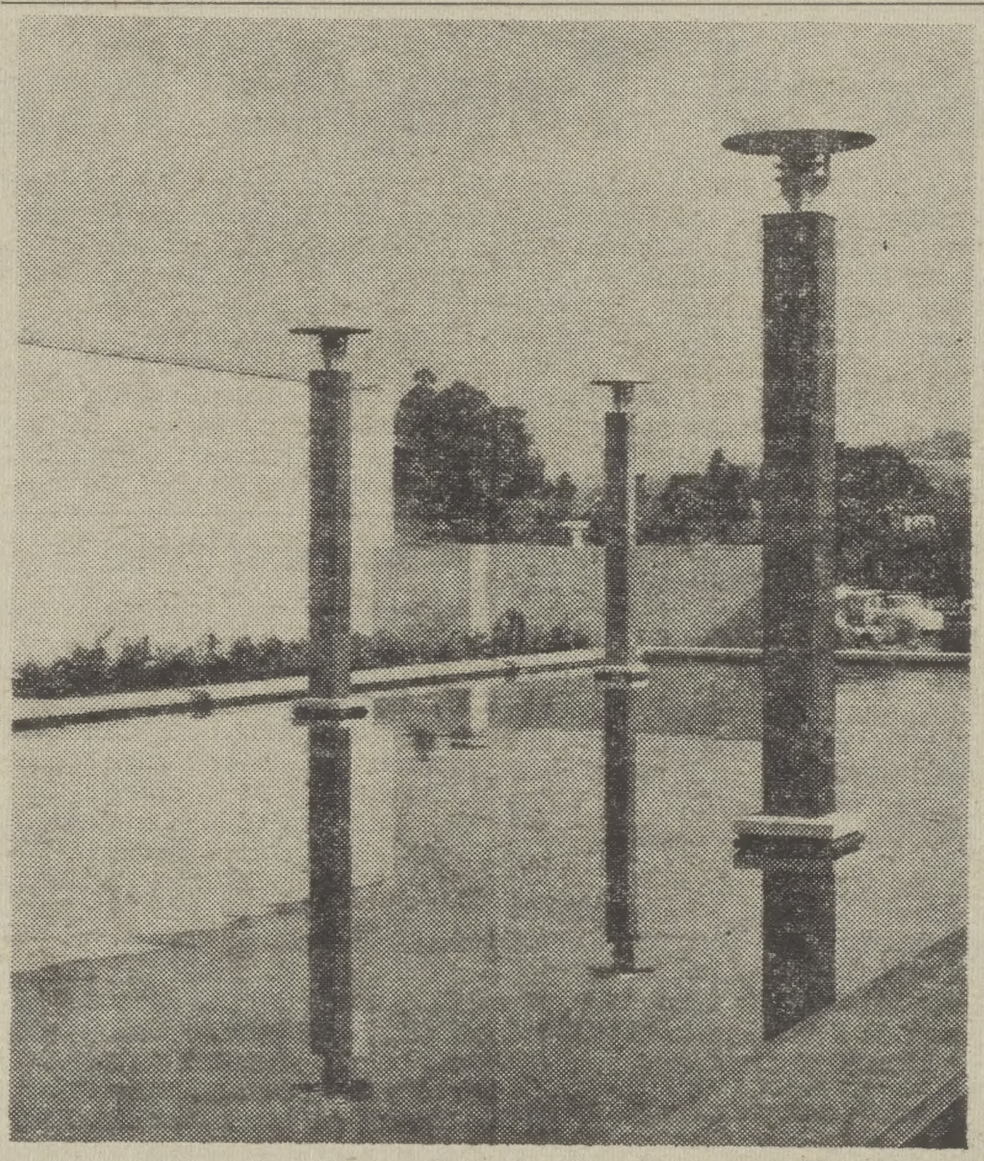
Visitors will have ample opportunity to ask questions after their tour of the Temple is completed. Tracts and other Church literature will be available. Books of Mormon and a special edition of the Improvement Era may also be secured.

Good planning and organization are necessary to manage the crowds expected at dedication of the Oakland Temple Nov. 17-19. Arrangements include closed circuit television, publicity, parking, and many other detais.

Responsibilities are being shared by all of the stakes in the Temple district. Interior matters of the Temple are under direction of Temple President Delbert F. Wright and his two counselors.

General committee arrangements are under chairmanship of President O. Leslie Stone, Oakland - Berkeley Stake, with committee members President Wright, President Prince Ronnow, Reno Stake, President Dallas A. Tueller, Fresno Stake and Elder Paul E. Warnick, executive secretary.

Other committee chairmen include President Irven G. Derrick, San Francisco Stake, publicity and press; President Kenneth D. Jensen, Walnut Creek Stake, parking and crowd control; President Ted E. Madsen, Concord Stake, interstake and ward buildings; President Milton P. Ream, San Leandro Stake, first aid; Elder Curtis Bybee, sound and closed circuit television; and music under the direction of participating stakes.



The handsome light standards are mirrored in the reflecting pool which is in the forecourt of the Oakland Temple between the two wings which extend out in front of the Temple.

Robert Cundick On Concert Bill

DR. ROBERT CUNDICK

By Frences Beniams

Dr. Robert Cundick, organist, just returned from London, will play a premier performance at the Interstake Concert Series recital at 4 p.m. on November 1.

He has just served two years on a special assignment at the Hyde Park Chapel, London. For this he was given leave from the faculty of Brigham Young University. He played more than 600 daily recitals in the series which was begun in 1961 by Alexander Schreiner.

While still working at the University of Utah for his doctorate, he began composing, winning wide recognition. As he continued at the University of Utah, teaching, he played organ for the University Ward, Salt Lake City, forwarded his composition creations, and built a family of six children. In England, he composed two sets of organ pieces which were accepted by Novello Company, music publishers, as well as numerous other compositions accepted by Boosey, and Hawks, Aschirberg, Hopwood and Crew. These works are available, or will be early next spring. We shall be privileged to hear, on his November recital at the Interstake Center, "Sonatina," a work in three movements, published by Novello, London.

The full program will be: Concerto in B Minor, Johann Gottfried Walther; Three Choral Preludes, J. S. Bach; Air and Gavotte, S. S. Wesley; Prelude on "Rhosymedre," Ralph Vaughan-Williams; Sonatina, Robt. Cundick; Chant De Mai, Joseph Jongen; Toccata, Leo Sowerby.

Lynn Hilton Aids Language League

Lynn M. Hilton has been granted a leave of absence for a year from the Salt Lake Adult Education Center to allow him to serve as director of the Foreign Language League which has 15 campuses in Europe. Dr. Hilton will operate out of the Salt Lake office of the League, 164 E. 3900 South, and will continue to serve as high councilman in the Salt Lake Stake. He has served the BYU for 12½ years as assistant dean of adult education and chairman of the center. He is son of Patriarch and Mrs. Eugene Hilton of Oakland-Berkeley Stake.

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MR. AND MRS. CHARLES T. SMITH who were married in the Castro Valley Ward Chapel last month. The bride was the former Karren Carlson, daughter of Elder and Mrs. Lawrence Carlson of Hayward Ward.

The groom, son of Elder and Mrs. Rowland B. Smith, Castro Valley Ward, (Bob and Nell), is employed at the Lawrence Radiation Lab and the young couple are now making their home in Livermore.

Attending Karren were Mrs. Jean Mills as matron of honor and bridesmaids, Mrs. Marjorie Willson, sister of the groom, and Miss Sharen Norris. The bride's neice Denise Halbert served as flower girl. Their gowns were floor length sheaths of red and pink brocade.

Serving as best man was Karren's brother, John Carlson, and ushering duties were assumed by William Willson, the groom's brother-in-law and Kenneth Smith his brother.

Bishop W. A. Sandholtz, Livermore Ward, performed the marriage ceremony.

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Brother Mudge recently was released as Bishop of Castro Valley ward after serving more than four years. He also served in the Bishopric of the Oakland Second ward for five years, and served as San Leandro Stake clerk for more than three years. He served for more than 15 years with Stokely Van Camp's.

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Hurricane Dora failed to cancel wedding plans of Betty Wilson and Robert Odegard, though the ceremony went on under some handicaps and even had to cross a state line.

Hayward 2d Ward

Wedding Defies Hurricane Dora

By Mel Venturi

Robert C. Odegard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Odegard of Hayward 2d Ward, and Betty E. Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Wilson of Chicago, Illinois, were married at Folkston, Ga. September 9 in the midst of Hurriance Dora.

Plans for the wedding at Jacksonville Naval Air Station chapel and a reception at the base Lounge had to be abandoned because of the persistant attention of first, Hurriance Cleo and then Dora. Bob has been on board a coastal mine sweeper as radioman. His home port is Norfolk, Va. Because of Cleo and the illness of the relief radioman, Bob was unable to get to Florida to apply for the license three days before the wedding, so the trip to Georgia was necessary. There was no waiting period in Georgia. By the time the wedding party got back to base, Dora, had moved in and the base was closed to all unnecessary activities, so the reception had to be postponed.

Plans for military attire were also thwarted. The entire wedding party was dressed casually. The bride wore a pale yellow dress and carried "something borrowed and something blue". The only attendants were Dick Hood, a friend of the groom and the groom's mother.

Robert is a careerman in the Navy and has been stationed on the East Coast for the last four years. Betty is a Wave and worked in the same communications unit with Bob until he was transferred to the U.S.S. Limpkin.

Sister Odegard was to return to California Sept. 10 but all flights had been cancelled. She was able to catch a plane on the 11th, just in time because on the 12th Hurriance Dora swept back over Jacksonville on her return to the ocean.

Our Relief Society is planning an old-fashioned hoedown for their opening social, a dinner and folk dancing October 2.

Primary graduated Frankie Starkweather, Melanie Morris, Lynn Buckner and Fita Tafua.

Hayward 2d ward served dinner for the MIA 5-stake conference Saturday Sept. 12. About 250 people were served a ham dinner. Proceeds went the Ward Budget.

An "Almost New" sale was held in late September in our chapel. A child's supper was served. Proceeds will benefit the welfare fund.

Last Fast Sunday we had 7 babies blessed!! The bishop's counselor (Phil Butler) is the father of a little daughter; the 2d counselor Bill Mcleary, is the father of a new son and the ward clerk Joe Supinger is the father of a son.

A ward dinner and entertainment was held September 18.

Salisbury - Thomas

Marie F. Salisbury became the bride of Alan Reed Thomas in vows solemnized in the Los Angeles Temple. A reception honoring the couple was held at the Richmond Ward cultural hall.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. George Schiess, a graduate of Harry Ells High School, and has attended BYU.

Mr. Thomas is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Reed Thomas of Downey, Idaho, who drove down for the ceremony. He is a graduate of Marsh Valley, Idaho, high school, and is continuing his education at BYU. He served as a missionary in Japan.

Linda Thomas was maid of honor, with Toni Edwards and Susan Christensen as bridesmaids, and Elizabeth Ann Schiess as flower girl.

Best man was Neil Lamph. Richard Thomas and Ronald Schiess ushered.

Among 150 friends and relatives attending the reception were the bride-elect's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gridley of Richmond, with whom Marie resided while attending school.

Ages 3 to 83 Work On Welfare Farm

From three to eighty-three, members of San Francisco Stake turn up at their welfare farm to hoe peas and pick artichokes. (Pix up coming next month. Received too late to reproduce.)

Among the 123 people who worked September 12, was Emma Joan Swank, 83, of Mission Ward. "Now that I'm able to work," she said, "you can't keep me away from the welfare projects." Sister Swank was born deaf and dumb and remained so until a few years ago when a hearing aid made it possible for her to hear. Then through hours of hard work and through exercising her faith, Sister Swank learned to speak. "Now, I can serve the Lord in many ways," she said in a recent testimony meeting, "all I need to know is what a woman 83 can do." Her bishop reports that she can do many things well.

The junior set has been represented by a number of pre-school children who come to the farm with their parents. While their fathers block out the large weeds, the children follow behind and pull weeds around the tender plants and vines.

High Councilman Jones Heaton said that the activities of the people who have worked on the farm have made is firtst year of operation a success. "This endeavor," he said, "requires the effort of our whole Stake. We hope many others will follow the example of those who have helped so much."

Susan Lea Child

By Mima Williams

Richmond Ward was saddened by the news of the death of Susan Lea Child of leukemia Sept. 1 at Children's Hospital.

She was born Nov. 23, 1953 at Richmond Hospital, the daughter of Howard N. and Della Child. He was 1st counselor to former Bishop Harold E. DeLaMare.

Surviving in addition to her parents are her maternal grandmother, Mrs. Mary Alice Raine of Richmond; sisters Mrs. Maxine Riggs of Mountain View; Mrs. Linda Humphrey of Encinitas; and Candice Jane Child; brothers H. Ronald Child, a student at BYU; David W. Child, who has recently been called to the New Zealand Mission; and Lester N. Child.

Services were conducted in the Richmond Ward chapel under the direction of Bishop Earl L. Amtoft. The speaker was Harold E. DeLaMare, former bishop of the Richmond Ward. Music included a vocal duet by Ronald Child and Michael MacFarland, and a baritone solo by James Adams. Organist for the services was LaWona Charles.

Interment was at Abbey Memorial Gardens in Vallejo, California.

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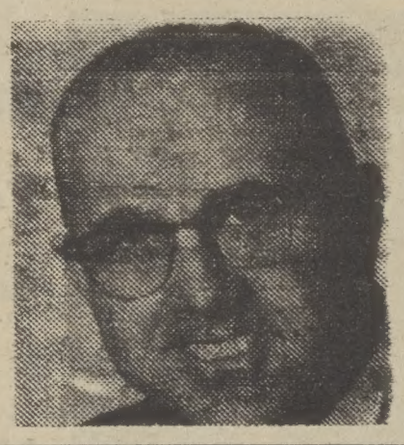

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Alameda Ward

LDS Girl Wins Study Grant

By Lue Seavers & Violet Pinckney

Shirley Eastman of 1915 High Street is one of 170 students to be awarded educational stipends by the State Department of Social Welfare to attend the school of their choice.

Miss Eastman will study at the University of Chicago.

All of the 170 recipients are committed to work at least one year in a county welfare department in the state for each year of study. The average award was $3,945.

A farewell reception for Bishop George A. Collins and family and a welcome reception for the new Bishop, S. Vernon Gardner and family, were held August 23 at Alameda Ward. Bishop Gardner kept he current counselors, Robert V. Roth and Lee M. Robinson. During Sacrament meeting Kerry Collins received his Duty to God award.

Seventy boys between eight and twelve years old participated every day for ten weeks in Alameda Boys Club games and competitions. Glen Zundel emerged the "best sport" of them all, and was awarded a trophy. Glen is the son of Brother Earl and Sister Anna May Zundel.

Mildred Fontano is back after an illness which kept her in Salt Lake for three years. She and Oscar are turning in many sheets for Temple work (with the Temple nearly completed let's take a lesson from them).

Arriving back from their work mission in Holland are Patriarch Thys and Reba Winkel. They departed at once for Utah where Reba's mother is ill.

We are glad to report the recovery of little Gwen Gooch, daughter of Byron and Marian Gooch, who was injured in a playground mishap at the Alameda Ward July 24 celebration at Lincoln Park.

Ardis Ann Bell and Gordon James Woodard were married by Bishop S. Vernon Gardner Saturday, September 12. A reception followed in the Cultural Hall. Ardis is the daughter of Harry and Wilma Bell and has one sister, Mary Jane. James is the son of Jed Woodard of Salt Lake City. They will return to the "Y" where both are studying. They anticipate being sealed in the Temple soon. Before the wedding Ardis was honored at a shower given by Bonnie Buchan, Marina Harrison and Marina's mother.

Ordained high priests were Hank Seavers and Joseph Ray Tolman, Sr. The new Sunday School superintendency includes Carl S. Ivie, superintendent, Ken West and Dean Hunt, counselors. Dr. John Berghout and Don Tolman were released and ordained Seventy's for their calling as home missionaries. Harold Price was sustained as investigators class leader.

Brother Swenson was released as secretary of the YMMIA and Robert Modie sustained in his place. Gordy Fralick was sustained as activity counselor, and his wife, Virginia, as Bee-Hive teacher, Sister Olive Ivie as Laurel leader, Sister Coleen Hinckley as 1st counselor, Franklyn and Ione Brown as dance instructors, Helen Lenz as speech and drama director, Granville and Gladys Howland as "Young Marrieds" directors.

Seven girls were graduated from Primary to Mutual with 100 per cent attendance records. They were: Christine Hall, Ann Holbrook, Susan McDonald, Karen Price, Adrian Newsome, Donna Tolman and Julia Zundel.

Visiting for ten days with her sister Boots Buck were Virginia and Donald Lord and their daughter Linda from Virginia. Donald is connected with the Pentagon.

Alameda Ward's New Bishopric

Front row—left to right; Robert V. Roth, 1st Counselor; Samuel V. Gardner, Bishop; Maurice L. Robison, 2d Counselor. Back row—left to right; Daniel B. Harrison, clerk; Henry F. Seavers, clerk; Joseph R. Toleman, ward clerk; William B. Schow, clerk. San Gardner is District Scout Executive, Boy Scouts of America Working with the Alameda Council.

Fifth Peru Chapel

Construction has begun on the fifth new chapel to be built in the Andes Mission, following groundbreaking services held in Trujillo, Peru. President Sterling Nicolaysen, formerly of Alameda ward and then of Hayward stake, participated in the ceremony.

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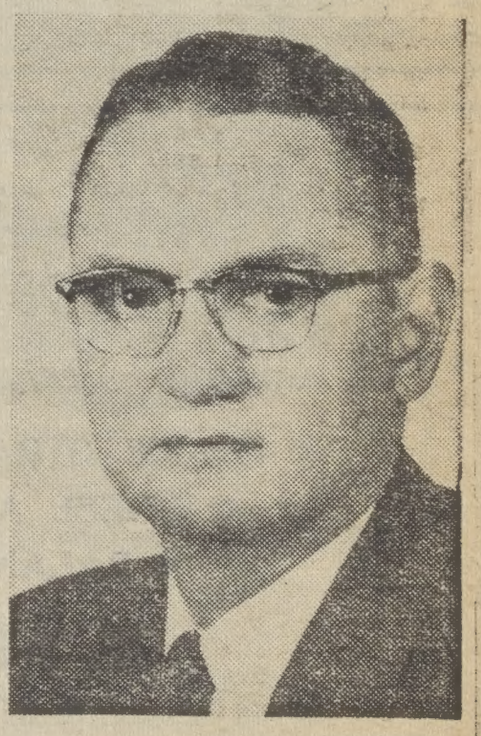

M-Men, Gleaners In Hawaii Trip

Left to right standing; Gary Cohn, Anise Allen, Phyllis Brennan, Connie Collins, Chris Edwards, Monica Moran, Sue Ogden, Barbara Jones. Left to right seated; Bob Kassow, Mari Kassow (Leader), Anne Hare, Margaret Eyring, Caroline Eyring, Brian McCarthy.

M-Men and Gleaners of Oakland-Berkeley Stake enjoyed an eight-day Hawaiian holiday in August, directed by Mari J. Kassow of Oakland 1st Ward. This is hte second year Sister Kasswo has organized the Hawaiian trip and accompanied the group.

Those who went were Caroline and Margaret Eyring from Berkele 1st Ward; Connie Collins, Sue Ogden, and Bob Kassow from Oakland 1st Ward; Anise Ollen, Phyllis Brennan, Chris Edwards, Monica Moran, and Brian McCarthry from Oakland 3rd Ward. Mrs. LaMond Jones of San Mateo accompanied the group.

M-Men and Gleaners of Oahu Stake have been gracious hosts both years the Californians have been in Hawaii, entertaining them, making them feel welcome at Sunday School and Sacrament meeting. A party was given for visitors at Ala Moana Beach where 75 M-Men and Gleaners sang, danced, played beach games, and provided a picnic menu. A highlight of the trip was the excursion to Laie to the Polynesian Cultural Center, Church College, and Temple grounds. In the evening, the group saw the production, "A Night Through Polynesia" considered by critics one of the greatest productions of all the islands.

Students Returning To Colleges

Richmond Ward is proud of its students at BYU: Katie Ford, Cheryl Wightman, Donald Esperson, Janice Esperson, Leon Henderson, Maren Elasasser, John Mass (faculty); Richard Tidewell, Maurine Thomsen, Janet Berg, Cheryl Ballard, Lars Solander and Ellen Coats.

Attending CCJC will be Susan Berg, Ray Gilbert, Phillip Day, Linda Uber Jay Barker, Michele Cecil, Lynn David, Richard Cavin and Judy Chester.

Evelyn Chinn and Oay Chinn are registered at UC at Berkeley. Gorden Flinders is attending Oakland City College; Glenn is returning southern California. Darrell Chinn has enrolled as a sophomore at UC, Santa Barbara.

"New" Ward, Bishopric, Chapel And 624 Members

By Marlene A. Rose

Livermore Ward, after being divided January 1, into Livermore and San Ramon Wards, has again climbed to 624 members. Since May 10, we have been meetin in our new chapel at 950 Mocho Street.

A new bishopric was sustained June 14 after release of Bishop Glen J. Behling, who had served as bishop for five years. Bishop Behling's release was precipitated by the calling of his 1st counselor, Joe Steenblik, to direct a church building program in Europe, and by his 2nd counselor, Ron Rollins, accepting a teaching position at the University of Missouri. Livermore Ward is now led by Bishop Willis A. Sandholtz, 1st counselor Karl G. Jellinghausen and 2d counselor Darwin Harwood. Continuing to serve as ward clerk is Robert S. Allen with Darrell Christensen and Wayne Graham as assistants.

On May 7 the first missionary farewell was held in the new chapel, honoring Kayleen Gardner, daughter of high council member Andrew Gardner and Sister Myrtle Gardner. Kayleen is now serving in the Western Canadian Mission. On August 9, another farewell, in honor of Kenneth G. Foster, son of Brother Ken and Sister Evelyn Foster, was held. Ken reported to the Mission Home in Salt Lake City August 17, before leaving to serve in the Central British Mission.

Craig Jay Crockett, infant son of Joyce and Reed Crockett, was blessed during August.

An accident in Napa in July caused a serious injury to Brother John Davis, husband of Lou Ann Davis. John suffered a lobal skull fracture when he fell from a moving truck, and was in critical condition when taken to Kaiser Hospital in Oakland. Prayers of his friends and the administering of the Priesthood hastened John's recovery, and he regained consciousness and recovered much more quickly than the doctors had dared hope. John and Lou Ann are now staying at the home of her parents in Concord.

Brother Howard Thompson, husband of Lillian Thompson, has been in Merritt Hospital in Oakland with chronic pneumonia.

On September 18, we held our first in a series of budget dinners in our new chapel. It was a Smorgasbord-type dinner, supervised by Sister Leona Webb.

Moving to Pittsburgh, Pa., was the John Cahoon family. The Andrew Gardner family has moved to Provo, Utah. These families have been with the ward since it was organized from a branch. Brother Gardner served not only as branch president, but as first bishop of the newly-organized ward as well. He is planning to teach in the physics department at Brigham Young University. An open house was held for each of these families to enable all the members of the ward to wish them well in their new homes.

San Leandro 2d Ward

New Bishopric Is Installed

By Ruby B. Ostler

Members of San Leandro 2d Ward were surprised at the recent Stake conference, to learn that Bishop Myron Christensen was released and a new bishopric installed.

Bishop Christensen has worked faithfully ever since division of the old San Leandro Ward five years ago and it is mainly through his efforts in the burlap project that we have our beautiful new chapel to meet in today.

Roy Bauer, counselor to Bishop Christensen, was chosen bishop with Daniel Canning and Herman Davis as counselors.

M.I.A. opened its fall season with a "World's Fair fun night and get-acquainted party There was entertainment from different countries such as Hawaii, Spain, Norway, France and Mexico.

Highlight of the evening was the Indian dances and games presented by the Boy Scouts under direction of Brother Grant Hollinghouse.

The boys were dressed in full regalia, beautiful costumes and colorful headdresses. They performed some difficult and skillful tricks and dances.

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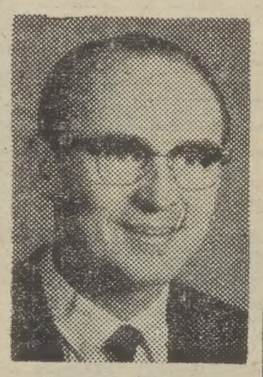
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Wright - Ward

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Frank C. and Barbara Wright Ward, married in the Salt Lake Temple, August 18, were honored at receptions in Salt Lake City and Oakland. The marriage was performed by President McDonald of the Salt Lake Temple.

Barbar is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leland H. Wright of the Oakland 4th ward. Brother Wright, until recently, was Bishop of the Oakland 4th and is now on the Oakland - Berkeley Stake High Council. Sister Wright is on the Oakland - Berkeley Stake YWMIA board.

Families of Barbara and Frank accompanied them through the Temple, along with their bishops. After the Temple marriage, family and friends were guests of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy C. Ward, parents of the bridegroom, at a wedding breakfast. Many showers were held for Barbara, as well as luncheons in Oakland and in Salt Lake City. A reception in the Oakland 4th Ward social hall was given by Barbara's parents.

The couple honeymooned in Tahoe, guests at the cabin of Oakland Temple President Delbert F. Wright and Sister Wright. They also journeyed to Boise, Idaho, to visit Frank's relatives.

Barbara was graduated from Fremont high school and attended Oakland City College and Brigham Young University. They will make their home in Provo where Frank will attend BYU. He recently completed a mission for the Church.

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William Cameron

Memorial services wtre held in Hayward Ward Chapel August 31 to honor Brother William Cameron, a member of the ward, who died in Hayward after a long illness. He leavts his wife, Lona, and his son, William. Speakers at the services were Bishop Wilford Webb, long-time friend of the family, and Bishop W. Shannon Murphy of Hayward Ward. Music was given by Sisters Marge Wallace and Ruth Wilson. The dedicatory prayer at the grave was given by Ronal Lewis.

Christiansen At Concord Meeting

Elder ElRay L. Christiansen, an Assistant to the Council of Twelve Apostles, presided at a quarterly conference of Concord Stake, Saturday and Sunday, September 26 and 27, in Oakland.

Also attending were Robert Ruff, a member of the Sunday School General Board; T. Quentin Cannon and Bette P. Sims, representing the Young Men's and Young Women's Mutual Improvement Associations.

General sessions of the conference were held Sunday at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. at the East Bay Inter-Stake Center, 4780 Lincoln Avenue, Oakland. They were conducted by Stake President Ted E. Madsen, 3242 Reva Drive, Concord.

Elder Chrisiansen is coordinator of the 12 Mormon Temples in North America, Europe, Hawaii, and New Zealand. An educator by profession, he taught in public and Church schools and was a high school principal. He was also a soils and grazing official for the U.S. Government.

Elder Ruff is a Salt Lake advertising executive and businessman. He has been active in auxiliaries of the Church throughout his life and has held numerous responsible positions.

Elder Cannon has worked as chorister and organist in various organizations of the Church. He is now serving on the music committee. He fulfilled a mission in the Eastern States and spent four years in the U.S. Air Force.

Mrs. Sims is serving on the sports and camp committee of the Board. She is the mother of two children, a member of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers, and has attended the University of Utah.

Special meetings for Sunday School and MIA leaders were held Saturday.

Claremont Ward

Christmas In October?

By Betty Moss

Claremont Ward Relief Society will hold its Christmas Bazaar Saturday, October 24, from two to eight o'clock p.m. Many lovely handmade items for gift-giving will be available. A bake sale will also be held. A dinner of hot dogs, hot chili, and pie may be purchased at any time during the afternoon and evening.

The Relief Society also held its opening social September 29. Ruth Hilton spoke on Temples.

The M.I.A. opening social featured an around-the-world theme. There were Scotch, Hawaiian, French, and Indian displays.

Nancy Reid, pianist, played for the Young Marrieds' September meeting. The Knechts were hosts for the evening.

A ward picnic was held September 19 in Joaquin Miller Park. The Primary prepared a delicious meal of barbecued chicken, corn on the cob, tossed salad, and watermelon. There were games for both children and adults.

We have had five new babies in the ward recently. Boys were born to Vonnie and Gene Fox, Helene and Larry Holt, Cheryl and Earl Smith, and Kay and Jim Thorne. Helen and Dean Madsen have a new little girl.

Elsie Kempf died during the past month. She was 85 years old.

Dave Tucker graduated from the "Y" during summer school. He has been active in education work while at the "Y".

Kathy Leighton recently returned to the "Y" to continue her studies.

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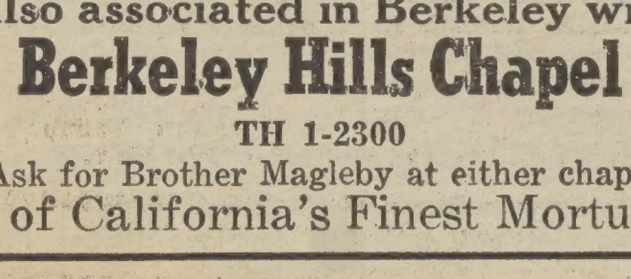

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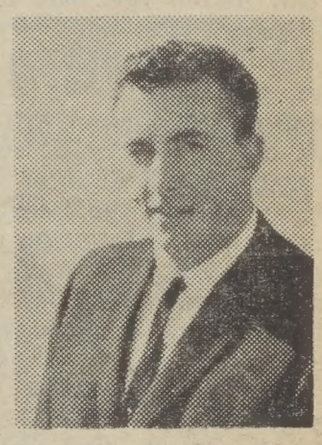

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The bride was attended by Mrs, Jerald Mauss, matron of honor, and Bonnie K. Christensen, Linda Brummet and JoAnne Christensen, bridesmaids. Michael Sessions was best man and Michael MacIntosh of Salt Lake City, Bruce Draper, of Logan, Utah, and James A. Christensen of Oakland, brother of the bride, served as ushers.

The wedding reception was held in the Oakland 3d Ward Cultural Hall September 3.

After a short honeymoon in Idaho, the couple will reside in Orem, Utah.

Newell Christensen is 1st Counselor in the Bishopric and Helene is First Counselor in the Relief Society of Oakland 3d Ward.

Let's All Read . . .

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friends as the Temple is opened to the public, and outlined some information we can give our friends regarding the contribution of the Mormon Church to America. Some of these he borrowed from Elder Bennion. (1) The Welfare plan, which is not a dole, but every one who can work is given an opportunity, made possible by the monthly fast offering and by such institutions and no one need want. This is as the Patterson farm. (2) Our Pioneer Heritage, which we share with all the nation. Few undertakings can match the 1600 mile treck to Utah, a land nobody else wanted. (3) Our contribution of Literature, particularly the Book of Mormon, and additional witness for Christ and a history of some of the early inhabitants of the Americas, as well as the Pearl of Great Price and the Doctrine and Covenants. (4- Knowledge of the true nature and identy of God and Jesus Christ, glorious personages whose brightness defies all description. (5) The Priesthood, the authority given to act in the name of the Lord, actually restored in this dispensation by heavenly visitors, Peter, James and John, and John the Baptist. (6) Temples of the Lord whtre marriage can be performed for time and eternity an baptisms can be performed for the dead. They are to be the dwelling places of the Lord.

President Winkel reviewed the part President McKay has had in nurturing and developing of this Oakland Temple and expressed the conviction that if he is able he will be present for the dedication. rtsponsibility is to carry the message of truth to every kindred, tongue and people, in his judgement the most fertile field is right hert in our own area and that we can have complete confidence in our Hayward stake missionaries.

Sister Dorothy Bryson, whose son Kay is laboring in the Frtnch Polynesian Mission, spoke of the riches that come to those who teach the Gospel and to the families of those on missions. She told of some phases of missionary work in Tahiti and on the small island of Tubua as reported by Elder Bryson. President Winkel later said that while missionary work has changed it is still the same in this part of the world as it was more than twenty years ago when he served there.

President Winkel called attention to the opportunities we will all have to be missionaries to our hand and assure him that they did not constitute part of his problem. In discussing home teaching he made the humorous but pointed remark that one way to determine a person's age is to note the amount of pain he experiences when he receives a new idea.

Byron Grosbeck, home teaching representative on the high council, spoke of time and missed opportunities. He referred to a quotation from Shakespeare which implies that some human affairs must be caught at the floodtide, or it is forever too late. He declared that home teaching gives us the greatest challenge in the Church, and that the "great man finds a way, whilt the ordinary man finds an excuse". President President Andrew Hunt was called on to repeat the passwords to success in home teaching, which are: (1) Love them. (2) Teach them. (3) Set them a good example and (4) Serve them.

Elder Bunker told stories to illustrate that a mission is serious business and hard work. A missionary cannot preach the Gospel unless he knows it, and must dedicate his life on his mission to three activities: Prayer, work and study. He declared that while our

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During the last month a tour to the Salt Lake General conference was offered with itineraries posted in Bay area wards.

Western history has been a hobby of Sister Eyring's, including much study of the Washoe Indians and the Indian wars of Nevada and Mormon contributions to Nevada and California history.

Ward Conference Held August 30

By Leonard W. Cryer

Mission Ward's conference opened at 7:30 Sunday, August 30, with Presidents Alger and Jones San Francisco Stake Presidency presiding in the absence of Stake President Irven Derrick, and Bishop Conrad S. Barber conducting, assisted by his 1st counselor Donald B. Shipp.

After presentation of the theme from the first section of the Doctrine and Covenants "And the voice of warning shall be unto all peoples from the mouths of my disciples whom I have chosen in these last days," members of the Priesthood were called on for testimonies.

The conference continued during Sunday School and Sacrament meeting, with reports, sustainings, and testimonies.

Mission Ward held its MIA homecoming event to celebrate resumption of Mutual activities September 3. The celebration was under supervision of counselor Shipp, YMMIA superintendent Samuel Gardea, and YWMIA President Eleanor Laws. The program included group activities, and refreshments of soft drinks and home made cakes prepared by Eleanor Laws, Ardith Yost, and Leonie Platt. Soft drinks were provided by San Gardea. Games were led by Bill Davis, Scoutmaster, Chris Shaini, Bob Wright, Sam Gardea, Ardith Yost, Leonie Platt, with Eleanor Laws at the piano.

September was the month of resumption of Mission Ward's Seminary classes, taught again by last year's teacher, Brother Draper.

Walter Totten, 24, U.S. Army, married Panel N. Fraidenburg, 31, a member of Mission Ward, and mother of four children, Mark, David, Matthew, and Karen, Sept. 4. The Tottens will live at 529-28th St., MI. 8-4890.

Sister Elverda J. Henry, 63 Fair Oaks St., has been sustained as Temple garment representative in Mission Ward. Members who want to buy these garments may see Sister Henry at Church, or phone in their orders to MI. 8 6333.

The first half of September, 1964, two Elders from Mission Ward married and moved out of the ward.

The frist was Daniel L. Carson, 22, who returned to the ward in May, 1964, from a 2½-year mission in Chile. Danny married Christina Aste 20, a girl he met in South America during his mission. Her parents, although they didn't consent to her baptism, did consent to the engagement and allowed her to come to the United States under he sponsorship of Andrew and Dora Carson, Danny's parents, 2634 44th Ave., San Francisco. The young couple may now work on her baptism into the Church, and, when sufficient time has passed, a marriage in a Temple.

September saw the marriage of Church members Elde Golden D. Scott and Lillian Keber. Golden, a member of Mission Ward until his marriage, was active in the Mormonaires, when he met Lillian. She is a memner of a ward in San Carlos, California, where she teaches ballet and dancing. On June 26, Lillian brought her ballet group to Mission Ward and provided the special entertainment at the ward's Carnival Night. Although Golden was with her, nothing was said then about the recent marriage. The Scotts will reside in San Carlos.

On September 13, 1964 the ward sustained Leanora Barber as theology teacher; Karen A. Lee as literature teacher, Louise Libby as work director, and Gerd (Kim) Rogers as social science teacher in the Relief Society.

On September 20, 1964, the former Sunday School superintendency, of Elder Gary Jones, superintendent, and Elders Nelson F. Martinez and Robert E. Lee, counselors were released, and the new superintendency of Elder Nelson F. Martinez, superintendent, Elder Robert E. Lee, 1st counselor, and Elder David D. Jacobs, 2nd counselor sustained. Elder Alan Rogers and Priest James Thomsen were also sustained as teachers in the Sunday School.

Also on September 20, 1964, Chris J. Shaini was ordained a priest, John L. Fletcher was ordained a teacher, and Daniel Cohn was ordained a teacher.

John L. Fletcher was sustained by the Priesthood as the advisor to the teacher's quorum.

Elder Walter K. Thomsen was sustained as assistant Ccoutmaster, Boy Scout Troop No. 107, Mission Ward to Scoutmaster William R. Davis.

Changes in the Primary Association were the sustaining of Sonja Taylor os 1st counselor to President Norma A. Shipp, of Lucile Blevins, as secretary-treasurer, and Marie Masina Martinez, as a Primary worker.

Bob Kassow Wins 'Duty to God'

Robert S. Kassow of Oakland 1st Ward received his Duty to God Award at a recent Sacrament meeing. Bob is the son of Brother Alvin F. Kassow and Sister Mari J. Kassow.

The family became members of the Church in 1958 when Bob was 11 years old and lived in Claremont Ward. He became active immediately in Guide Patrol and developed into Scouting and M.I.A. He attended the International Scout Jamboree in Colorado Springs in 1961, and the International Explorer Conference at B.Y.U. in 1963. Bob has been living in Santa Cruz during the summer where he was in the surf board rental business. He accompanied the M-Men and Gleaner's to Hawaii in August.

Bob is a Priest in Oakland 1st Ward, a graduate fo Berkeley High School, and will attend B.Y.U. in September.

FRANK C. AND BARBARA WRIGHT WARD are pictured here at their reception held in the Oakland 4th Ward social hall. Frank, son of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy C. Ward of Salt Lake City, and Barbara, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leland H. Wright of Oakland, were married in the Salt Lake Temple August 18, by Salt Lake Temple President H. MacDonald.

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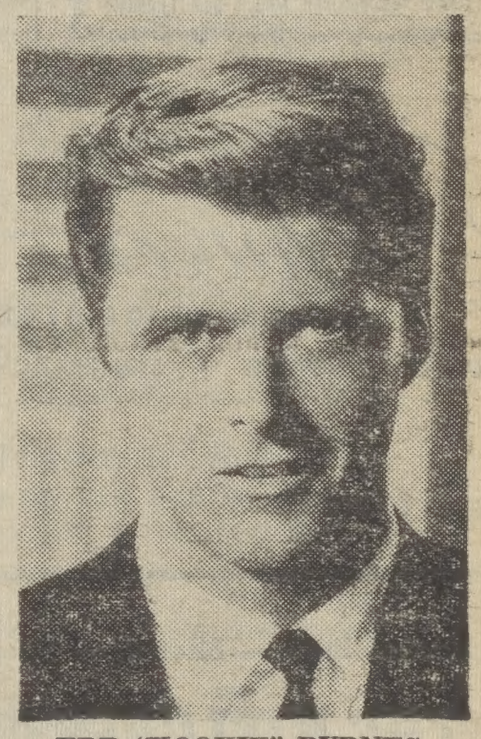


EDD "KOOKIE" BYRNES

Clayton Valley Ward

"Kookie" Aids Building Fund

By Norma Smead

Clayton Valley Ward's fundraising campaign for a new chapel will get off to a good start October 12 when Edd "Kookie" Byrnes, star of "77 Sunset Strip" TV series, will act as master of ceremonies and star of "The Hollywood Show."

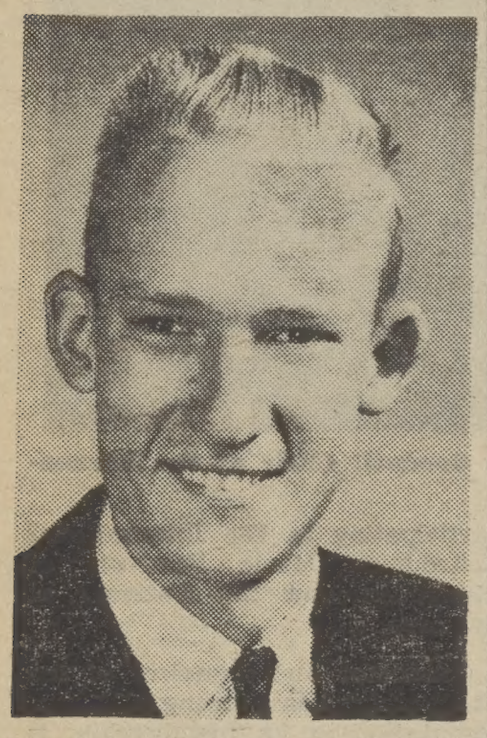
The show will be presented at 8 p.m. Monday, October 12, at the Creative Arts Auditorium, 250 School Street, Pittsburg.

Byrnes is supported by an all-star musical revue that features Verland Whipple, comedian; Patti Royal and Jay Wheeler, dance team; Lee Fugal, piano; Roy Baumgart, ventriloquist; Chris Norman and Joan Rosell, vocalists. Members of the cast have performed throughout Utah and Idaho before joining "The Hollywood Show." All are professional TV, radio, and stage performers. Church standards are observed throughout.

Suggested donations range from $2 for general admission, $2.50 for reserved seats, $3 for box seats, $1.50 for students, and $1 for children. Tickets and further information may be obtained from Ernest Jewell, 4818 Joelle Drive, Concord, phone 686-3774, or any member of the Clayton Valley Ward bishopric. Tickets will be available at the door the evening of the performance.

Elders Welcomed In Argentine

Officials of the North Argentine Mission were well received when they visited the highest ranking government official in the northern province of Chaco in Argentina. Mission President Ronald V. Stone, formerly of Oakland-Berkeley Stake, and District Pres. Pedro Gamberini of the Chaco-Corrientes district, accompanied by full-time missionaries and some local members, called on Senor D. Felipe Bittel, governor of Chaco Province. The visit was part of President Stone's program to create a true image of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Argentina. Local newspapers gave wide publicity to the visits.



ROBERT E. NORD, formerly of El Cerrito and now a resident of Riverside, has left for intensive Spanish language training at Brigham Young University preparatory to going on a mission in Argentina. His farewell was held at Berkeley 2d Ward. (Story appeared last month. Picture received too late for reproduction.

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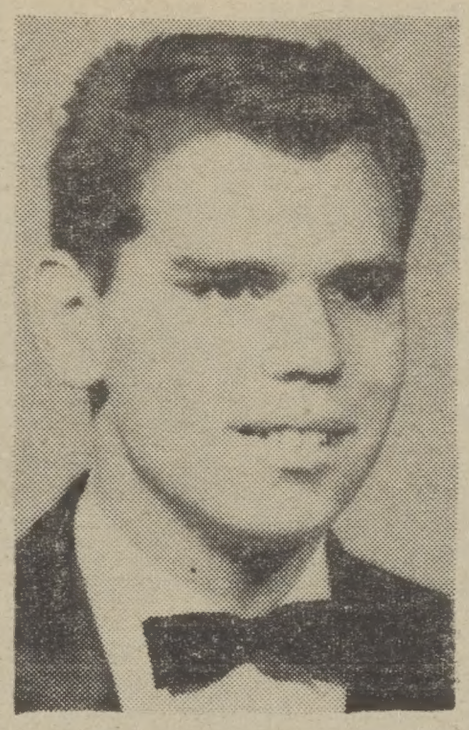

Elder David Eugene Esperson, eldest son of Clinton and Leola Esperson, has been called to labor in the Northern States Mission. A farewell testimonial will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday afternoon, October 11, in the Richmond Ward chapel, 330 Carlston Avenue, Richmond.

David has just completed his sophomore year at BYU and was first sergeant of Squadron 2 with the cadet rank of master sergeant in the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFRTOC) detachment.

In 1963, Elder Esperson received his Eagle Scout award, he has served as post treasurer; been a member of Sumi Chapter, Order of the Arrow, and received his Duty to God Award in 1961 when he was graduated from Seminary. A member of the US Naval Sea Cadets, also commissioned an Ensign in the US Navy League, David participated in a Navy-sponsored World Brotherhood trip to Japan in 1960.

In 1962, he participated in the Rifle Speciality at the MIA All-Conference. Following this, he traveled with Explorer Post 113 and its 25 members to Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico.

Elder Esperson in going to the Northern States Mission will be following in the footsteps of his grandfather, Joseph Leo Williams.

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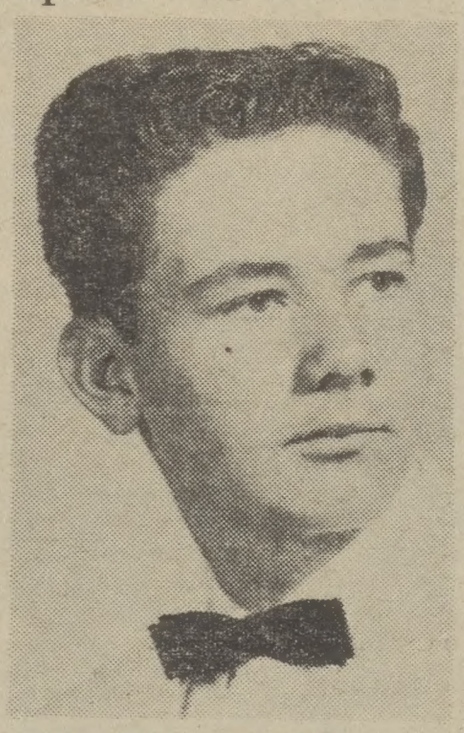


Elder Robert Ralph Spears

By Valiere M. Brunner

The seventh missionary from Concord Ward has gone on a North British mission. He is Elder Robert Ralph Spears, son of Robert and June Spears.

Many brothers and sisters have accepted new offices. Charles Burns will be ward clerk. His assistant will be Henry Johnson.

Our Sunday School superintendent is Louis Cook. His assistants are Eugene Barfuss and Clayton Johnson.

President of the 1st quorum of elders in Joe Wright. His assistants are Dirk Van Hoven as 1st counselor, and 2d counselor, Ray Nausin. The secretary will be Verne Porter.

Kathryn Gladden is president of the Primary. Assisting her are Marguerite Wassom and Betty Masek. Secretaries are Lucille Moore and Irene Oldenhage.

Baptism and blessings of an entire family were done for Roger Lee and Judith Roberta Boese. Their children blessed were Shelly Lyn, Lorrie Ann and Karen Marie.

Other summer baptisms were Penny Lyn McKinney; Janice La voy Simmons; Melody Ann Kirkpatrick and Sheryl Ann Nickelson.

Blessings included the daughter of 1st counselor Verne Tueller of the bishopric, Janine Tueller; Lorraine Ruh, daughter of Jim and Myrna Davis; Rory Henry and Clifford, sons of Clifford and Gail Borba; Devin Lane, son of William Henry and Sandra Jean Rumer.

Summer graduate, La Vonne Baird, recieved her B. Sc. degree from the B.Y.U. and has accepted a secretarial position at the "Y" in the seminary of Institute offices. Bonnie is the daughter of Ralph and June Baird.

Oakland 2d Ward

Two Bishops, One Branch President For Elder Larsen

By Winnie Hill

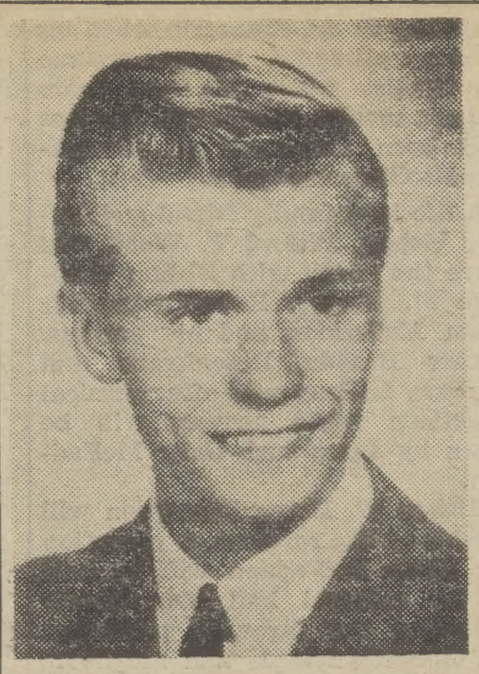
Elder Norman Larsen has returned home after a two-year mission with the Southwest Indian Mission. He reported to Oakland 2d Ward that he had converted 45 people, including two present bishops and a branch president.

Mall Duke is new president of the elders' quorum, succeeding Dr. Jess Bromley whom he had served as 1st counselor. Martin Hill was moved from 2d to 1st counselor, Wayne Hubbel made 2d counselor, and Richard Fagre was continued as secretary.

The Relief Society has opened its year's work with an opening social well-attended, with plenty of baby-sitters available. Evelyn Duncan is president, Ione Morris 1st counselor, Ada Allen 2d counselor, and Elmas Hall secretary.

Seminary opened with a good attendance on the opening day of school. Mal Duke is the instructor.

Winnie Hill has succeeded Evert Ellis as ward reporter for The Messenger of Northern California. Her address is 9838 Gould Street, Oakland 3, telephone 632-3248.



An open house was held recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Graham of Pittsburg Ward, honoring their son Marvin Dean Graham who has been called on a work mission to the northwest. He is now serving in the Pocatello, Idaho, area.

..Marvin was called following his graduation from Pittsburg high school and has served actively in the Church, receiving both his Eagle Scout and Duty to God awards. He is also a four-year Seminary graduate.

James Hattley To North Argentine

James Hattley of Oakland 4th Ward will be honored at a Farewell Testimonial in the Oakland 4th ward chapel at 6 p.m. Sunday, October 18. He has been called to the North Argentine Mission and is to be in the Mission Home in Salt Lake City Oct. 26.

Elder Hattley who was graduated from Fremont High School, has completed one year at Brigham Young University. He will serve under the direction of President Ronald V. Stone, son of Oakland-Berkeley Stake President and Mrs. O. Leslie Stone.

Elder Hattley is a son of Ruby Hattley of Oakland 4th Ward. Participating in the farewell testimonial will be his sister, Emma, and a speaker will be Leland H. Wright, who served as Bishop of the Oakland 4th Ward until he was recently called to the Oakland-Berkeley Stake High Council.

Hayward Ward

Darrell Gold Is Argentina Bound

Elder Darrell A. Gold was honored in the Hayward 1st Ward September 20 for his call to serve as a missionary in the Argentine Mission. He will report to the mission home in Salt Lake October 5 and, following a week's training there, will study Spanish at Brigham Young University for three months before flying to Buenos Aires. Elder Mark Sylvester of Hayward Ward also reports to the mission hime in Salt Lake October 5 before beginning his labors in the Southwest British Mission.

Darrell moved to Hayward from Salt Lake City three years ago with his parents, Joel and Nellie Gold, five brothers and three sisters. Brother Gold was bishop of Taylorsville Ward in Salt Lake City and is now counselor to Stake President Winkel. Darrell graduated in 1964 from Sunset High School after lettering in track, cross country, and tumbling and tramboline. He has worked as a life guard during the last summer. He became an Eagle Scout in Salt Lake City, and has many hobbies including swimming, photography and model trains.

Speakers on the farewell program included Leonard Lyon, Aaronic priesthood advisor, Victor Simard, seminary teacher, E. Wheeler Oliphant, a cousin from Salt Lake City, and Edith B. Gold, his grandmother, also from Salt Lake City. Remarks were made by Bishop W. Shannon Murphy, tht missionary's parents and by Darrell himself. Special music was furnished by LaVell and Jolene Gold, and by Barbara Dennis. A reception was held at the family home following the church services. Open house will be held in two different occasions in Salt Lake City to honor Darrell. One will be on October 4 at 7 p.m. at the home of Alvin Knudson at 1010 W. 1300 South and the other will be on October 11 at the home of Warren Curtis at 2020 Logan Avenue between 2 and 4:30 p.m.

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Castro Valley Ward

Bob McFadden To Denver Mission

Elder Robert E. McFadden has been called to serve on a mission for the Church by President David O. McKay. He will leave for the mission headquarters of the Western States Mission in Denver, Colorado October 26.

Testimonial services will be held in his honor October 11 in the Castro Valley Ward chapel, Seven Hills and Almond roads, at 6:30 p.m.

Son of Elder and Mrs. Maurice E. McFadden, 4592 Edwards Lane, Robert is a graduate of Castro Valley high school and was a student at Brigham Young University, majoring in art-education when his mission call came. He will resume his studies when his two years church service completed. He has also been employed at Owens-Illinois Glass company.

A life long family friend and former bishop, Wiford T. Webb will share the pulpit with Bishop Theodore M. Mudge, Robert's brother Allan McFadden and his parents. Sisters Brenda Rosenkrans and Barbara LaPray will offer musical selections while prayers will be given by Lynn and Gary McFadden.

Bishop W. Bruce Thompson will preside at the services. A reception for Elder McFadden will be held in the cultural hall immediately following the farewell gathering. All Robert's friends and neighbors are invited to attend.

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So that readers might have a list of ward reporters for handling ward and stake news stories, the editors of The Messenger of Northern California, with the help of bishops and ward reporters, have compiled a list for you. Corrections or additions should be sent to Albert E. Gilbert, editor, 2496 Warren Road, Walnut Creek. Please furnish addresses and telephone numbers

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WALNUT CREEK

Welsh American Goodwill Choir On Tour

ANN DAVIES THOMAS (seated) and members of the Welsh American Goodwill Choir at the International Eisteddfod (Music Festival) at Llangollen, Wales.

By Samuel W. Taylor

From Bangor, Wales, comes word of the third triumphant tour of the Welsh American Goodwill Choir, which gave a series of ten concerts throughout Wales before participating in the International Eisteddfod (Music Festival) at Llangollen and the National at Swansea.

Conductor and organizer of the choir, which has a strong LDS representation in its membership, is Ann Davies Thomas, formerly stake choir conductor of Palo Alto Stake before moving to Riverside,

For the third time since 1959, Mrs. Thomas decided it would be a fine thing if the Welsh American Goodwill Choir would make a goodwill singing tour—a free offering of friendship, unsponsored, unsubsidized, unofficial and unassuming, but certainly not unappreciated. As in 1959 and 1962, Ann Thomas approached singers in the United States and Canada, who met together for the first time at the ship in New York. Each member paid his own expenses. The choir rehearsed during the sea voyage, holding three 1½-hour sessions daily. When the members arrived in Wales, some of them had travelled 8,000 miles, then added another 1,400 on the concert tour. This caused a Welsh newspaper to note, "If the Eisteddfod were to award a trophy for the most travelled choir of the week, it would go to Mrs. Ann Davies Thomas and her Welsh American Singers."

Goodwill means good acts, and most of the concerts of the tour were given for the benefit of various charities. These included concerts for schools, the Freedom From Hunger campaign, an Old People's Committee, a hospital, a home for indigent, and a Presbyterian chapel. Climax of the tour in this respect was the concert given in the LDS chapel at Merthyr Tidfil, home of President Mc Kay's mother, for the benefit of the Church building fund.

After the festivals were over in July, Ann Thomas stayed in Wales for several months of musical activity. "I direct a Welsh hymn festival tomorrow in Colwyn Bay," she writes, "and last Sunday I directed one in my home village of Abergynolwyn."

She adds, "One of the fine works being done by the Church missionaries was their appearance at the National Eisteddfod grounds. I was proud to declare that I, too, belonged to the Church. Many people entered the tent. We found that the people of Wales are hungry for the gospel."

It appears that the Welsh American Goodwill Choir might assemble again, for it has been invited back everywhere it appeared and at several other places. Mrs. Thomas has tentatively booked 18 concerts for next year, if the one-woman ambassador of goodwill decides to make a fourth tour.

Oakland 3d Ward

Family Sealed In Hawaii Temple

By Mary D. Westover

Mahana Moo who has been away from the Bay Area for a time attending the Church College of Hawaii, was married in the Hawaiian Temple June 27 to a fellow-student, Tuione Polotu, of Tonga. Her parents and two sisters came to Hawaii from the island of Hikueru in the Tuamoto Archipelago of French Polynesia for the Temple ceremony. Three of her brothers were already in Hawaii and on the same day as the wedding ceremony the entire family was sealed for time and eternity.

Three of our missionaries returned in September. Elder Wallace Carr, son of the Elmo Carrs, returned September 15 from a 2½ year mission to Uruguay. He was last stationed at Artigas, where he was supervising elder.. On July 18, the Uruguayan Independence Day, a main thoroughfare was re-named Kennedy Avenue, in honor of our late President, and Wally represented us at the celebration. Four years ago there was one branch of the Church in this area, and in the same town there are now three branches and will be more as rapidly as leaders among the new members can be trained.

David Hoopes, son of Ren and Stella Hoopes, arrived in the United States from his mission in South America September 9. He proceeded directly to Provo, Utah, where he will attend BYU. However, he came to Oakland to give his misionary report September 27. Elder Hoopes has been serving as executive assistant to President Tuttle of the South American Mission.

Fred MacDonald arrived home from the Mexican Mission September 14, and gave his report to the ward September 20. He was supervising elder in Guadalajara toward the end of his mission. This mission experienced 386 baptisms during his last month there, which made it first in the Church in the number of conversions per missionary. Serving with him was Elder Andrew Perry Carter of the Berkeley 1st Ward, from whom he brings greetings.

Many students of this area were given invitations to attend a special trip through the Oakland Temple which was arranged for them September 12, because they will be out of town attending universities during the regular open house period.

The ward rejoices with Joe and Dianne Harris who were blessed with a son, John Hyrum Harris, born September 6. This is a particularly happy occasion since they lost their first baby.

Jan Willem Pierre, of our ward, and Amrjolyn Kruiswyk of the South San Francisco ward were recently married by civil ceremony immediately followed by a Temple Marriage in Los Angeles. They will reside in our ward.

Arthur E. Lawrence has been visiting his daughter, Emma Matheson, for some time.

There have been many changes in our auxiliary organizations. In the MIA, Bonnie Kittenger is now president of the YWMIA; Jeane Mahoney is age group counselor; Priscilla Crockett is activity counselor; Isabella Morgan is girl's attendance secretary. In the YMMIA Daryl Mahoney is superintendent; Sheldon Keala is manual counselor and Jim Call is activity counselor.

Seminary started Thursday, September 10, under the leadership of Bud Billeter and Joel Ellermeier. We are proud of the interest shown by our young people in this worth-while activity.

Twenty-three of the young people of the ward left to attend the "Y" for this school year.

There were so many vacation trips during the summer that it is impossible to even list them—but of special interest was the tour through the Eastern States, including the Hill Cumorah Pageant, the World's Fair Pavilion and many other points of Church and historical significance, taken by Roselle Jenkel, Maude Tucker, and the Elmo Carrs.

Robert DeCelle Candidate For Parks Director

Robert E. DeCelle, member of Alameda Ward and a Seventy in Oakland-Berkeley Stake, qualified as a candidate for director of the 4th Ward of the East Bay Regional Park District.

This is hte first election to be held for the office. Two others are candidates.

There are 21 candidates for the seven positions in Alameda and from both counties will vote for all officers.

Brother DeCelle has been active in scouting and has as Scoutmaster, Explorer Advisor and District Commissioner for Alameda and Oakland Boy Scout Councils.

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University Ward

Changes Made At U.C. Institute

By Gwen A. Probst

The Berkeley Institute is undergoing several changes. The Institute is being designed to be more of a center of Mormon life for the Latter-day Saint students and their friends on campus at the University of California. Plans call for redecorating, increased lighting facilities, development of the library, and increased activities, including wide selection of stimulating classes.

Classes will include Scripture Study, Missionary Preparation, LDS Doctrine and Philosophy, New Testament, and two special classes for graduate students in Science and Religion and the Book of Mormon.

Another feature appearing on the roster is a series of noon lectures on Friday called "Lunch Bag Lecture Series." Guest speakers from the bay area as well as visitors from throughout the West will help the series sparkle with interest and variation.

Anyone of college age not attending the University may also register for classes. Under a special arrangement with Brigham Young University, credit may be acquired.

It is not too late to register!

At Berkeley, Lamba Delta Sigma, the unique Church-sponsored, co-educational fraternity, held two kick-off events in September. The first event of the new school year was apicnic at Livt Oak Park Friday, September 25. On the following Sunday, prospective pledges assembled at the Berkeley Institute for an orientation and get-acquainted meeting.

Formal pledging ceremonies have been scheduled for 8 p.m. Sunday, October 4.

While University Ward auxilaries are in the process of reorganization, nevertheless some social events are on the calendar. The Relief Society will hold its opening social Saturday, October 10, under the chairmanship of Sharon Wilkey. All young women of the ward are invited to atttnd. The following week the Relief Society will be in the spotlight again with the annual ward exchange dinner October 16.

The M.I.A. started their activities for the fall semester with a pary ton September 22. The "Back to School Days" theme was advertised with posters reminiscent of Charlie Brown and his friends.

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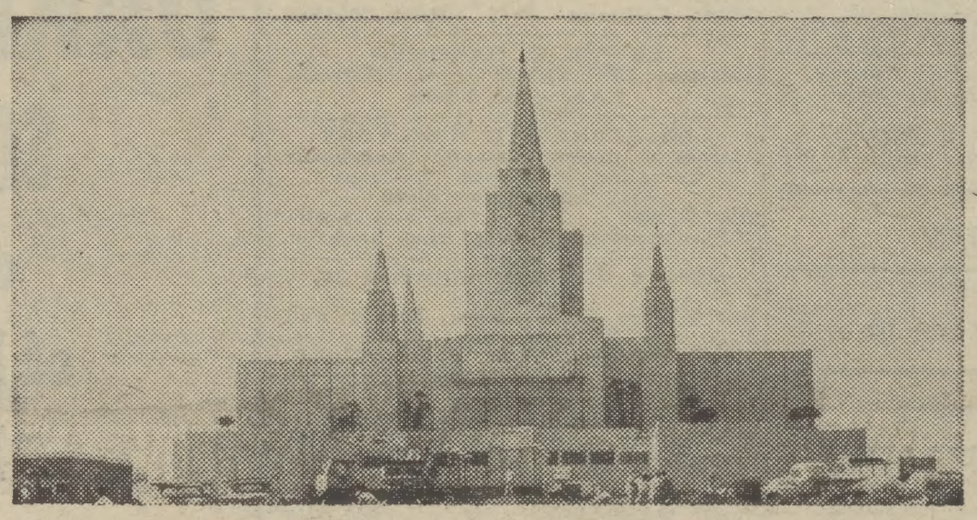

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